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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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Part B for December 97

SUBJECT.

Protection of avenue trees.

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Subject No 108 of the Dasara representative Assembly of 1896 in regard to the protection of avenue trees was discussed by the members and the Dy Comr of Districts were requested to report as to what was being done in the matter. The substance of the replies received is given below:—

Bangalore Dy Comr's No 68 dated 9/7/97 (Recd 9th 12)

The Dy Comr states that the avenue trees are cared for by the ryots, who planted them and also by village servants. Beds are prepared during the rainy season and blanks are stocked with new plants which are tended periodically until they grow up. These operations are superintended by Shekdars and Patels and other Taluk officials. Any unauthorized lopping of branches or injuring the trees is duly noticed. The Division and Jamabandi officers

are enjoined systematically to inspect and report on their condition. The Dy Comr (Mr Charas-Weniger) gave special attention to this matter during his inspections with the result that there has been an improvement in their number and condition

The Dy Comr of Kolar reports that the avenue trees in the District are looked after by the village servants under the supervision of the Patels Shekdars as well as the beat Police men. The Amildars and Asst Comrs during their tours of inspection attend to the conservancy of these trees and any injury done to them is duly noticed. On 7 January 1897 a circular was issued regarding the planting, growing and pruning of the avenue trees.

+ c/o $\frac{5167}{1188}$ of 30/6/97
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The Dy Comr of Tumkur states that there has been no complaint from the District in this matter. The avenue

c/o 1055 of 1916 5/1

and preservation thereof. Whenever vacancies occur Patels see them filled up with the help of villagers. The etmaldar inspect the avenue trees in the course of their itineration in the Taluk issuing needful instructions to the village officers where necessary. Jamabandi officers inspect them and the results of their inspection are embodied in their Jamabandi reports.

The Executive Engineer having brought to the notice of the Dy Coms. a defect in the respect detailed instructions + were issued to the etmaldars in regard to the preservation of avenue trees and lopping of branches overhanging the roads and obstructing traffic.

The Dy Coms doubts the utility of numbering the trees with tar, save for purposes of identification and is of opinion that the measure would only entail needless expense to Govt. He therefore suggests that the old as well as the young trees may be tarred

+ copy enclosed

tarred at the surface root and trunk to a certain height to prevent rabbits and goats getting into and otherwise injuring the trees

The Dy Comr of Chitaldrug reports that wanton mischief to or destruction of avenue trees is a very rare occurrence in the District. Avenue trees are so very popular with all classes and conditions of people that no body ever thinks of injuring them in the least. The Dy Comr therefore considers that the proposed precaution of numbering the trees with tar is unnecessary at any rate so far as his Dist is concerned. The village and Taluk officials are quite alive to their responsibility of carefully looking after the safety of the avenue trees

Submitted. Dy 26/9/17

No 64/60 dy 19.9.17 (Circle 12)

No [illegible] are recorded in the [illegible] Avenue trees

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Section L. R
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OFFICE OF THE DEWAN OF MYSORE,

Bangalore, 17 June 1897

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OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM.

SUBJECT No. 108

Protection of Areca trees.

THE attention of the Deputy Commissioner Arsikere is drawn to Subject No 108 of the Dassara Representative Assembly Proceedings of 1896 and he is requested to report as to what is being done in the matter.

By order,

15/6/97

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Secretary.

The Dy Commrs of Districts.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT
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From

The Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District.

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To

The Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore,
Revenue and General Departments.

Dated 24 June 1897.

Despatched

Received

General No. 1906
No.

Enclosure No. —

Reporting as to what was being done with regard to the protection of avenue trees.

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The Circulars quoted have been forwarded to L. F. Brownrigg Esq. for information.

9/28/97

No. 1906
Enclosure No. ___

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
MYSORE DISTRICT,
Dated Mysore 24th June 1897.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Revenue and General Departments.

SIR,

With reference to your official memorandum No. 10962-63 dated the 17th June 1897, enquiring as to what was being done with regard to the protection of avenue trees, vide subject No. 108, brought forward at the Representative Assembly of 1896, I have the honor to state that the task of numbering the trees with tar as proposed by the members is at once laborious and costly, though it was tried here by one or two Amildars about two years ago. For the better protection of these trees, parties unauthorizedly cutting the branches or who are found fault with for injuring the trees will be criminally punished and the Patels and other village officers will be held responsible for the due protection of the trees within their village limits.

R. 3615

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt. servant,

Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District

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repeated these instructions as further

warning.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

W. Venables Vernon

Deputy Commissioner

Shimoga District

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Section L. R
No 82-96
Serial No 5

From Secretary to Government

To The Secretary to the Government of Mysore Revenue and Excise

Dated 30th June 97
Despatched 1-7-97
Received

General No. 5167
No. 1188

Enclosure No.

Six Official Memorandum from the Superintendent of Excise Mysore Division Bangalore Dated 30th June 1897 Enclosing Statement showing the Number of Stills, Tax thereon and Quantity of Liquor manufactured during the year 1896-97 in the Districts of Mysore, Kadur, Hassan, Kolar, Tumkur, Bangalore, Kankanhalli, Shimoga, Chitaldrug and Bellary.

With reference to the above letter I am directed to state that the amounts

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are being carried out by the Village Boards under the direction of the Police Chieftain as well as the local Police men.

2. The Guidance and Acceptance Committees during their tour of inspection attend to the permanency of the trees and any injury done to them in any particular. A Circular letter was issued on the 7th January 1937 explaining the planting, pruning and staking of the avenue trees. —

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Dy Commissioner

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officers are enjoined systematically to inspect and report on their condition.

3. I have given special attention to this matter in my inspections, and the result has been an improvement in their number and condition.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W^m Richardson Taylor

Deputy Commissioner.

Chittagong, the 4th July 89.

From

The Deputy Commissioner
Kadur District

To The Secretary to Government,
Genl. & Rev. Departments.

No.

With reference to Government Official Memo. No. 10062-9 / R. 3615 dated 1st Ultimo, drawing attention to Subject No. 108 of the Bangara Representative Assembly Proceedings of 1886 in the matter of protection of Avenue trees, I have the honor to state that it has been reported by the Amildars that the Village Officers, viz. the Patel, Shanbhog and the Sobli Amildar, are entrusted with the duty of looking after the Avenue trees and the planting and preservation thereof. When vacancies occur the Patels are then filled up with the help of villagers. The Amildars inspect the Avenue trees in the course of their itineration in the Taluk, issuing needful instructions to the Village Officers where necessary.

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From The Deputy Commissioner of Kadur District

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To The Secretary to Government General & Rev. Departments

Dated 12th July 1897

Despatched 14th July 1897

Received

General No. 25

No.

Enclosure No. 1

Reporting on the subject mentioned in the Banaras Representative Assembly Proceedings of 1897, regarding Protection of Avenue trees.

15/7/97

To the Manager

2. All officers holding the Kuzer Zamabandi also inspect them and the results of their inspection are embodied in their Zamabandi Reports submitted to Government. Reference to this office letter No. 709 dated 24th April 1897, submitting Zamabandi Reports for 1896-97 in which this subject was also dealt with is solicited

3. The Executive Engineer having brought to the notice of the undersigned instances of defect in this respect, detailed instructions were issued to the Builders in the matter of the proper preservation of mango trees and lopping of branches overhanging the roads and obstructing traffic; and a copy of the undersigned's instructions is enclosed for information of Government.

4. The undersigned very much doubts the practicability of numbering the mango trees in Kutch, save for the purpose of identification, and is of opinion that the measure would only entail needless expense to Government. The undersigned would rather suggest that the old as well as the young trees

the tunnel at the surface, and must
touch to a certain height, say 60 ± feet,
to prevent white ants getting into and
Memorial injuring the trees.

Deputy Commissioner,
Kadina S.A.

Ans.

Lopping of Avenue Trees.

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As some mis-understanding is said to exist on the subject, Amildars will be reminded that under the orders of Government noted in the margin, the duty of lopping avenue trees (which term includes all trees of spontaneous growth, such as bamboos and other ordinary jungle trees) was re-transferred in 1892 from the Public Works to the Revenue Department, to be enforced through the agency of the villagers.

vir No: 5591-610 / 932-51
dated 23th December 1892.

2. In cases, however, in which the outgrowth or overgrowth of jungle-trees may be in the nature of a persistent obstruction, requiring more than ordinary labor for their removal, Amildars are authorized to obtain

x Docket of Chief Engineers dated 20th December 1895 S0:64437

the assistance of the Public Works Department.

3. The above is the ordinary rule. The circumstances of portions of the Mahad require however some modification of the above. In this tract villages are widely scattered and frequently do not adjoin the high-road. The villagers owing to the superabundance of wood have no inducement to lop the avenues for the sake of the wood. The duty of lopping avenues in these mahad tracts is a novelty, roads in the mahad being themselves a novelty. The duty is therefore not understood or acquiesced in, and in practice it has been found very difficult to enforce.

4. In the case therefore of these

Inland tracts, the Deputy Commissioner is of opinion that the Amildars may ask for the assistance of the Public Works Department whenever it is not found practicable to enforce ordinary lopping of avenue trees; owing to the remoteness of Villages, scarcity of inhabitants or other special causes.

(Signed) T. Weir
Deputy Commissioner

Copy

Deputy Commissioner
Kadur District

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT
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From

The Deputy Commissioner
Chitaldrug division

To

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The ~~Chief~~ Secretary to the ~~Dewan~~
Government of Mysore.
General & Revenue Department

Dated 19th June 1897.

Despatched 21st June 1897.

Received

Enclosures No.—

General No. 64
No. 60.

In reply to C

SUBJECT.

Submitting report
regarding the protection
of avenue trees

References (to be entered only in the Dewan's Office).

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Transfer to L.A. Branch

No. 64. Gen.
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Deputy Commissioners Office
Childdung District
Dated Taire 28th July 1897.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Agare
General and Revenue Department

Sir,

In reply to your official Memorandum
x No 1092A-9 dated 24th June 1897 requiring me to
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report what is being done in the matter of Service
Conservancy of Avenue trees which formed subject
of No 108 discussed at the last Darera Representa-
-tive Assembly, I have the honor to state that serious
Mischief to or destruction of Avenue trees in any
part occurred in this District. Avenue trees
are so popular with all classes and conditions
of people that to apply any kinds of injuring
them in the least, I am therefore of opinion that
the proposed precaution of numbering the trees
with tar is unnecessary at any rate so far as
this District is concerned. The Village and Taluk
Officials are quite alive to their responsibility
of carefully looking after the safety of the
Avenue trees.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient humble
servant
Deputy Commissioner

From L.R.

To S2-96

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Ref 9197

Letter dated 18th August 1897 from the Commissioner, Hassan District, forwarding a petition from Puttaswamy Gowda and others praying for the grant of a lease of the Kadur Tank Bund for the purpose of growing betel vine thereon.

Transferred to D. F. Branch.

Sd/- Samuel
for Private Secretary.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE
Gen. Serial No. 2205 Dept. No. 2672
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From

The Commissioner,
Hassan District.

To

The Secretary to the
Government of Mysore.
Revenue Department.

Dated 18th August 1897.
Despatched - September 1897.
Received 25/9/97.
Enclosures—No. nil.

General No.
No. 326.

Official memorandum No. 10962-69 / R. 3615 Dated 17th June 1897, calling for a report regarding the proposed lease of Kadur Tank Bund to Kadur Representative Assembly. Subject No. 108 of 1896).

With reference to the above, has the honour to state that necessary orders are issued to the Amildars for the conservation

Conservation and
planting of new trees
of which a copy is hereb.
with submitted, for
information. The
Auditors have begun
to give due effect to the
orders issued. —

Yours
Alfred Cunningham
Chairman District

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(Signed) B. Krishnamacharyar

Dy. Commr.

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This does not absolve the Collr from the necessity of reporting to Govt

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Received in the Rev Branch 1/2/1897

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Read:-

Letter no 1906 dated 24 June 1897 from the Dy Commr of the Mysore Dist. relating, with reference to Govt no 10962-6 R3615 dated the 17th June 1897, that the task of numbering the avenue trees with tar is laborious and costly, and that the Patels and other village officers will be held responsible for the due protection of the trees within their village limits.

Order thereon

Govt observe that in the Mysore, Nanjangud and Chamarajnagar Taluks the avenue trees have been mutilated and in many badly handled, and that the attention of the local authorities is very necessary to stop further damage to such trees.

Transfer to Rev Branch 1/2/1897

No 5891-8 dated 4/1/98
R. 1721

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Revd & Printed 2/2/1897

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The Dy Commr of Mysore

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Secret Dis
No 32-96
Serial No 11

Read:-

The following letters from the Deputy Conservators of Forests submitting the reports called for in G.O. no 10962-9 / R 3615 dated 17th June 1897 in regard to the action taken by them for the protection of avenue trees:-

(See no 12) 1 Letter no 68 dy 9th July 1897 from the Dy. Conservator of the Bangalore Dt, stating that the trees are carried for by the ryots who planted them and by the village servants & that planting operations are supervised by Shekdars and Patels and other Police officials, and that Divisional and range-beat officers are employed systematically to inspect & report on their condition;

(See no 9) 2 - no 5167/1188 dy 30th June/97 from the D.C. Kolar, stating that the avenue trees in his Dt are being looked after by the village servants under the direct supervision of the Patels Shekdars & the head Policemen, and that the Asstt and Assistant Conservators attend to the conservancy of the trees and note injuries due to them during their tours of inspection;

(See no 9) 3 - no 1906 dy 24th June 1897 from the

the D.C of Mysore stating
that the work of numbering
the avenue trees with beer is
in progress, and only, ~~that~~
~~[illegible] parties~~ ~~[illegible]~~ cutting the branches or injuring the
~~[illegible]~~ trees will be criminally punished.
~~[illegible]~~ and that the Patels and other
village officers will be held
responsible for the due pro-
tection of the trees within their
village limits.

4 Letter No 1055 Dt 19th June (Sanction)
1897 from the D.C. Chamarajanagar,
stating that the avenue trees
are not wantonly destroyed
on any account, the Patel
being held responsible for
any damage done by him
within the limits of his village,
that the work of numbering
the avenue trees and recording
in a register the extent
of the private rights existing
there in is good, and that
any attempt
may be made in this direction
if the Head Tenant will bear
the cost of numbering the
trees.

5. - No 326 Dt 18th Sept 97 (Sanction)
from

District officers and their subordinates as well as by Local Fund Boards.

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Proceedings of the Government of Mysore, Local Boards Branch, Local Funds, dated 5th January 1898.

READ :—

The following letters from the Deputy Commissioners of districts, submitting the reports called for in Official Memorandum No. 10962-9—R. 3615, dated 17th June 1897, in regard to the action taken by them for the protection of avenue trees :—

1. Letter No. 56, dated 9th July 1897, from the Deputy Commissioner of the Bangalore district, stating that the trees are cared for by the raiyats who planted them, and by the village servants, that planting operations are supervised by shekdars and patels and other taluk officials, and that division and jamabandi officers are enjoined systematically to inspect and report on their condition.

2. Letter No. 5167—1183, dated 30th June 1897, from the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar, stating that the avenue trees in his district are being looked after by the village servants under the direct supervision of the patels, shekdars and the beat policemen, and that the Amildars and Assistant Commissioners attend to the conservation of these trees and notice injuries done to them during their tours of inspection.

3. Letter No. 1906, dated 24th June 1897, from the Deputy Commissioner of Mysore, stating that the task of numbering the avenue trees with tar is laborious and costly, that parties unauthorizedly cutting the branches or injuring the trees will be criminally punished, and that the patels and other village officers will be held responsible for the due protection of the trees within their village limits.

4. Letter No. 1055, dated 19th June 1897, from the Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur, stating that the avenue trees are not wantonly destroyed on any account, the patel being held responsible for any damage done to them within the limits of his village, that the idea of numbering the avenue trees and recording in a register the extent of the private rights existing therein is good, and that an attempt may be made in this direction if the District Fund will bear the cost of numbering the trees.

5. Letter No. 326, dated 18th September 1897, from the Deputy Commissioner of the Hassan district, stating that orders have been issued to Amildars for the conservation and planting of new trees.

6. Letter No. 25, dated 12th July 1897, from the Deputy Commissioner, Kadur, reporting that the village officials are entrusted with the duty of looking after the avenue trees and of planting and preserving them, that the patels get vacancies filled up with the help of villagers, that inspections are made by Amildars and Jamabandi Officers, that the numbering of avenue trees is hardly useful, save for the purpose of identification, and that the measure would only entail needless expense to Government, and suggesting that the old as well as the young trees may be tarred at the surface root and trunk to a certain height to prevent white ants getting into and otherwise injuring them.

7. Letter No. 1371—1153, dated 25th June 1897, from the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga, stating that the patels, shanbhogs, shekdars, Amildars, Assistant Commissioners, and the Deputy Commissioner inspect avenue trees every now and then, punish those that do mischief to them and cause fresh plants to be put up in place of the dead trees.

8. Letter No. 64—60, dated 19th July 1897, from the Deputy Commissioner of the Chitaldrug district, stating that wanton mischief to avenue trees is a rare occurrence, in that district, where, therefore, the proposed precaution of numbering them with tar is unnecessary, and that the village and taluk officials are quite alive to their responsibility of carefully looking after the safety of the trees.

No. 7537-44—L. F. 345-96, DATED BANGALORE, 5TH JANUARY 1898.

ORDER THEREON.—Recorded with the observation that the proper conservation of avenue trees is a matter to which the Government attach the highest importance and that it is hoped that all possible attention will be paid to it by the District Officers and their subordinates as well as by Local Fund Boards.

C. SREENIVASIENGAR,
Secy. to Govt., Gen. & Rev. Depts.

To—The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.

Ext—H.A.R.

1897-98

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

LOCAL BOARDS BRANCH, LOCAL FUNDS

PROCEEDINGS

Dated 5th *January* 1898

No $\frac{7537\text{-}44}{\text{L. F. } 345\text{-}96}$

Passing orders in regard to the conservation of avenue trees.

M.G.C.P.B.—27-1-98—250.